

Export Trade Finance Programs

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Export Financing

<u>FACT</u>: You'll increase lending relationships and be more competitive

FACT: Almost any good or service can be exported

SO!

Ask the question

Do you export??

This includes "indirect" exports (Selling to a domestic customer that then exports)

















SBA Export Loan Guarantee Programs

- 1. Export Express—to \$500,000
- 2. Export Working Capital Guarantee (EWCG)
 - Loans up to \$5 million
- 3. International Trade Loan—to \$5 million
- 4. Ex-Im Bank Credit Insurance

All three loan programs provide a 90% guarantee!!!



SBA Loan Programs for Exporters

1. SBA's Export Express

- to \$350,000 with 90% guaranty
- \$500,000 with 75% guaranty
- Processed by lenders under the SBA Express program
- Working capital: 7 years; Fix assets: up to 25 years

Required:

- In business for at least 12 months
- Expanding into foreign market(s)



Requirements for Export Express

Three Questions, Three "Yes" Answers

- 1. In business for at least one year
- Entering a new or expanding in an existing foreign market(s)
- 3. Not financing offshore operations
- Detailed export business plan providing anticipated annual export sales for the first year and outlining use of proceeds



Export Express: Use of Proceeds

Proceeds may be used for any of the following:

- All export related activities; export development expenses, such as brochure translation or participation in trade shows
- Transaction-specific financing of export deals, including standby letters of credit
- General lines of credit for export purposes
- Term loans for permanent working capital, machinery and equipment, or real estate



SBA Loans Programs for Exporters

2. Export Working Capital Loan (90% guarantee)

Loans to \$5 million

Transaction-Based Financing (Purchase order financing)

- Purchase Order/transaction specific
- Advances up to 100% of cost to fill PO

Asset-Based Line-of-Credit

- Working Capital for pre-shipment, post-shipment or both, advances up to 90%
- Borrowing Base: inventory, work-in-progress, A/R with advance rates of 75% for inventory



EWCP Fees and Analysis

Fees:

- 0.25% of guaranteed amount if 12 months or less
- Standard on-going fee <u>0.549%</u> on outstanding amount paid annually (<u>paid by lender; fee can not be passed on to borrower</u>)
- Borrower and lender negotiate interest rate and fees; lender is required to disclose this information to SBA

Analysis:

- Is the deal structured correctly? (<u>Call me to discuss</u>)
- Can the borrower perform as agreed?
- Is there export credit risk i.e. buyer credit risk, terms of payment? (call me to discuss)



EWCP: Advance Rates

Typical Advance Rates:

- 75% against inventory, work-in-progress
- Up to 100% of cost for PO financing (typically 85% of PO)
- 80% for unisured foreign A/R
- 90% for AR secured with credit insurance or Letters of Credit



EWCP: Collateral

- 1. Inventory and work-in-process
- Resulting foreign A/R
- 3. Assignment of proceeds under:
 - documentary letters of credit
 - credit insurance policies
- 4. Other assets as required by the lender
- 5. Personal guarantees by individuals with 20% or more ownership



SBA Loan Programs for Exporters

3. International Trade Loan (ITL)—up to \$5,000,000

- either: a) expanding because of exports, or
 - b) adversely impacted by imports
- maximum guarantee: \$4.5 million, 90% (permanent)
- a combination of fixed assets/term loan with W/C maximum Working Capital: \$4,000,000
- maximum term: 25 years for real estate; 10 years for equipment (refinancing allowed)
- can be process by PLP lenders

Very robust and profitable secondary market for these term loans



Ex-Im Bank: Mitigating Buyer Payment Risk

4. Small Business Export Credit Insurance

<u>To qualify</u>: SBA defined small business with \$7.5 mm or less in average export credit sales for last 3 years

- a. 95% coverage for open account AR
- b. Up to 20 buyers underwritten for free
- c. No deductible
- d. Claim proceeds go directly to lender
- e. Premiums (\$0.0048 to \$0.0120) often built into gross invoice value



Export Credit Insurance (con't)

Benefits

- allows exporter to offer competitive payment terms, <u>excellent</u> <u>marketing tool</u>
- allows exporter to borrow against open account A/R, <u>valuable</u> financing tool
- Enables exporter to sell more goods or services, <u>profitability</u> tool

A/R payments made to lockbox or controlled accounts

A/R now becomes part of borrowing base



Ask the export question

Do you export??

Be more competitive and get more from your customers!!!



















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